

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Peter Le Lievre

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Application No.: 10/597,966

Group Art Unit: 3749

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Examiner: Nikhil P. MASHRUWALA

For: MULTI-TUBE SOLAR COLLECTOR STRUCTURE

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 23, 2009, and in follow-up to the Notice of Appeal filed by Applicant on December 18, 2009, Applicant requests that this amendment and the accompanying Request for Continuation Examination, and Petition for Extension of Time be treated as a request to withdraw the previously filed appeal and reopen prosecution of the application before the examiner. Applicant has timely filed a submission and fee set forth in accordance with CFR 1.114(d), i.e., herewith is a Petition and fee for 4 month(s) extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to June 18, 2010.

Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.